Subject: Weekly Brief for Wednesday, March 21, 2018 From: LADOT Communications Office <dot_public_info@lacity.org> Date: 03/21/2018 05:33 PM To: <mistyli@aol.com>

Photo of the Week: 2018 LA Marathon in Downtown LA

New Traffic Control and Lane Configurations Coming this March

Over the weekend, traffic lanes were reconfigured on Figueroa St, between Exposition Blvd. and 22nd St., to allow for two lanes of car traffic on either side of the street. The two median islands on this stretch are scheduled for construction this week. Work continues on the Figueroa St. bus platforms as well, with bus shelters currently being installed on the on the east side of the street and new railings for the bus platforms on the west side coming soon.

(Project Rendering)

Project completion is in sight, with the final street resurfacing and striping on the southern stretch of Figueroa currently scheduled for mid-April. More updates to come, as we get ready to open MyFigueroa to the public later this spring!

Street Closures: March For Our Lives, Los Angeles

Please be advised that March For Our Lives is taking place this Saturday, March 24, 2018. Street closures will begin as early as 8 a.m. Expect delays and congestion in and around the event area. Click <u>here</u> for the Traffic Management Plan for more details.

Join our Safety Assessments!

Join us as as we wrap up our <u>Safe Routes to School on safety assessment walks</u> this month in your school neighborhood to identify barriers and challenges for students walking and biking safely to and from school. SRTS is a partnership between LADOT and the Los Angeles Unified School District. Please join us on **Thursday, March 22** at **Aurora Elementary School** from 8 a.m. – 9:30 a.m., or at **Charles White Elementary School** from 12:30 p.m.- 2 p.m.

Cityride App Coming Soon!

In efforts to enhance the quality of life as people age, Cityride's older adult and persons with

disability program is adding new technologies. In summer of 2018, the Cityride Program will unveil its new app allowing its 29,000 active, new users and caregivers to register for the program by following a three step registration process, reload account and see account balance, see a history of all past trips and payments made, in addition to more functions. Cityride is also enhancing its' website by offering online payment options.

Cityride has also purchased 10 new CNG buses to replace its' current fleet of gasoline buses in the coming weeks, in efforts to improve the quality of service. The new buses are completely redesigned and equipped with cameras, Wi-Fi, Syncromatics, and Mobile View, including a new logo! <u>Cityride</u> is adapting its age friendly program to be accessible to, and inclusive of, older people with varying needs and capacities.

A Unified Team Effort

On Sunday, the City of Los Angeles, along with the cities of West Hollywood, Beverly Hills, and Santa Monica, hosted the 2018 Skechers Performance Los Angeles Marathon. Without the dedication of our team from Special Traffic Operations and Parking Enforcement, who seamlessly secured the route and re-opened it, the event would not have been possible. Thank you to all at LADOT who performed an outstanding job in making the Marathon successful and showing the world the best that Los Angeles has to offer!

Meet and Greet Our Safer Streets: Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacons

This week we revisit with Dr. Destiny Thomas, Transportation Planning Associate, as she talks us through how rectangular rapid flashing beacons (RRFB) make pedestrians more visible when they cross the street. RRFB's are activated by pushing the button to turn on the lights prior to entering the road. This safety treatment illuminates people crossing the street and notifies drivers to yield.

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